

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Bernd RIEDL et al.

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Continuation of Application

Serial No.: 09/425,229

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For:

ω-CARBOXY ARYL SUBSTITUTED DIPHENYL UREAS AS P38 KINASE

INHIBITORS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the accompanying application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first paragraph with the following:

-- This application is a continuation of 09/425,229 filed October 22, 1999 which is a continuation-in-part of Serial Number 09/257,265 filed February 25, 1999. This application claims the benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/115,878, filed January 13, 1999. The content of these applications are incorporated herein by reference. --

Please amend page 85, third paragraph as follows.

Entry 101: 2-Amino-3-methyoxynaphthalene was synthesized as described in Method A1. According to Method C3, 2-amino-3-methoxynaphthalene was reacted with bis(trichloromethyl) carbonate followed by an aniline to form the urea.

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